

Remarks

This paper is in reply to the final Office action, dated April 21, 2004, addresses the few issues set forth in said Office action, and thus places the application into condition for allowance.

Claims 1-13 and 15-16 are pending. No claims are amended herein.

The allowance of claims 1-10 and 13 is acknowledged with thanks.

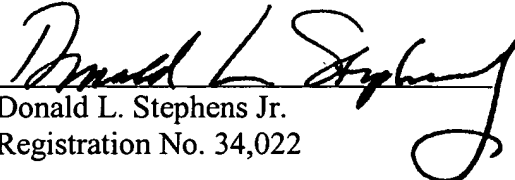
To address the issue set forth in the "Response to Arguments" on page 2 of the Office action, and the rejection reiterated on pages 2-4 of the Office action, attached hereto is a certified literal translation of the priority document. Therefore, and for reasons discussed in Applicant's previous Response, it is proper now that the rejection of claims 11, 15, and 16 be withdrawn and these claims allowed.

All the pending claims now are in condition for allowance, and early action to such end is hereby requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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